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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

The present Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 is responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed January 9, 2007, in the above-identified application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
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If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.

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